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NEW AMERICAN ARMY ARRIVES IN THE TRENCHES

Germans Resort to Infernal Machines TO Trap Daring American Scout Patrols

CRUCIAL BATTLE
HOURLY EXPECTED

(By Associated Press.)
WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, May 17.—The allies are still waiting for Von Hindenburg to show his hand. The weather during the last few days was magnificent, but even this brought no change. The Germans remain comparatively inactive. The only grumbling of guns, clouds of dust along transport lines, and flights of airplanes, remind one that war is in progress. The tension is so relaxed because it is realized that the enemy may strike any day. None doubt that an ambitious offensive is in preparation and the time necessary to complete the plans has about run its course. The delay is regarded as an added indication that the German push will be one of great magnitude and the fiercest, and may be the crucial battle.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 17.—The new American army referred to are the

forces being brigaded and trained with the British, probably on the Flanders battle front. They are not detached from Pershing's forces but are part of the new movement from the United States forecast by Lloyd George.

Mention in the communique of the flight for which Major Ralph Royce was decorated by the French army corps commander, as the "first American flight over the enemy's lines," was taken here as an announcement that a complete American air squadron is now in operation at the front. Heretofore American fliers mentioned for gallantry have been attached to French squadrons.

Officers say in the official reports of the raiding and scouting operations signs of the dash and initiative which they have expected, the American troops to show in action. They are supremely confident that the average American will play the game at the front just as well as Americans have played all games.

ITALIAN CRUSHED
DURING A TRYOUTAMERICAN CAPRONI MACHINE
CRUMBLES ON ITS FIRST
FLIGHT

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 17.—Captain Renati, one of the famous Italian aviators, was killed on Hempstead field while testing an American built Caproni bombing plane recently authorized for purchase by the United States. He was flying alone, carrying six bombs. On the first test when it rose 100 feet the plane crumpled and fell backwards. The heavy machine crushed the flyer.

AUSTRIA WILL NOT
TIE UP TO HUNGARY

(By Associated Press.)
AMSTERDAM, May 17.—Premier Weterle of Hungary told the Austrian lower house that the new alliance with Germany will make for better mutual relations, but that it can in no wise be taken as a hindrance of relations which might be established eventually with other peoples in the economic domain.

GERMANS MUST MARRY
WHEN 20 YEARS OLD

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—A German commission appointed to investigate the declining birth rate has made a recommendation for the compulsory marriage of Germans before their twentieth year. The state would grant financial assistance.

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 17.—President Wilson asked today that Memorial day be observed as usual and announced that in proclaiming May 30 a day of prayer he did not intend to suggest a modification of the usual Memorial day exercises held under the auspices of the patriotic organizations.

RUMANIAN ARMY DISBANDED

(By Associated Press.)
AMSTERDAM, Holland, May 17.—An order for the demobilization of the Rumanian army was published in the Official Gazette at Jassy on May 14.

JERRY MAHONEY SINKING

Latest reports from Goldfield are to the effect that Jerry Mahoney, who was injured in the railroad accident near Millers, is sinking rapidly. The wonderful vitality of the man is all that has kept him alive since he was found to have a fracture of the skull, in addition to his other injuries.

DUTCH STEAMSHIP SUNK

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 17.—The steamship Zealand, one of the Dutch vessels recently requisitioned by the United States government, was sunk in a collision at sea May 13.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:
5 a. m. 42 45
3 p. m. 49 80
12 noon 58 61
Maximum May 16 62 50
Minimum May 16 38 30
Relative humidity at noon today, 54 per cent.

THREE MILLION MEN UNDER ARMS
DURING NEXT TWELVE MONTHS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, May 17.—With more than 500,000 men now in France, army officials are more than ever hopeful that a powerful American force will be cooperating with the allies there by the end of the year. Unhappy experience with over-optimistic estimates of what can be accomplished make them slow to put their hopes into definite predictions, however, and it was not possible last night to obtain specific confirmation of the report from Paris that 1,500,000 fighting troops before January 1 had been promised.

The statement in Premier Clemenceau's newspaper that such a promise had been made was not believed by army officers generally to mean that the American government should definitely pledge itself to deliver a specific number of men within a time limit. Many factors are involved in making such a calculation months in advance.

Secretary Baker would make no comment on the statement. Many weeks ago he told the senate military committee, however, that the government then had hopes of getting 1,500,000 to the front during the

year. Since then his estimate that 500,000 men would reach France early in the year has been fulfilled and since then also, the German drive has changed the whole course of events and brought about a speeding up of American participation which has already shown results.

The French article indicates that under the program a total of 2,000,000 American troops would reach France

during the year. 1,500,000 of which would be fighting units. Whether that result can be obtained depends on the shipping situation. The men and essential equipment for them can be ready.

Under the authority sought by President Wilson to organize as large an army as it is found possible to train, equip and transport, it is known that official expect at least 3,000,000 men to be under arms during the next 12 months.

Secretary Baker explained today his view as to what the new practice of brigading American units with French and British divisions and the appointment of General Foch as supreme commander might bring about in the way of producing mixed army corps or divisions. It is entirely possible, he said, that American division or higher commanders will have command of French or British troops or both under the movements ordered by General Foch.

Where a mixed division or corps are constituted and American troops predominate, Mr. Baker regarded it as probable that an American will command if one of adequate rank and experience is available.

GUNS ARE BOOMING
AROUND AMIENS

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, May 17.—There is violent artillery in the Haillies region southeast of Amiens.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—German artillery is increasingly active from Locon to Hingens, and between the forest of Nieubeke and Meterin.

GERMANY LOOKS FOR
A FIFTH WINTER'S WAR

(By Associated Press.)
BERNE, May 17.—Herr Hausmann, progressive leader, told the Wuerthener diet that a fifth winter's war is inevitable, and that Germany must face disappointment instead of obtaining victory this summer.

BRITAIN CHARGED
WITH TREACHERY

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 17.—The house of commons adjourned until May 23 without any sign of the long delayed Irish home rule bill. Apparently the members of the government have no idea when it will be introduced.

(By Associated Press.)
DUBLIN, May 17.—A meeting of forty-five members of the Irish party with John Dillon, Nationalist leader, issued a statement to the effect that Irish conscription had been adopted by parliament largely under the impression that no attempt would be made to use the power until the Irish government and parliament is called into existence. The latest developments, the statement says, lead to the conviction that the government has no intention of producing the bill and that the promises made were for the purpose of deceiving the house of commons, the British public, the American government and people, and the allied European nations, thus prejudicing the cause of Ireland.

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ASK FOR DISMISSAL
OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—A Trinity county grand jury accusation filed with the attorney general asks for the dismissal of District Attorney Reid on the charge that he sought a murder complaint against an innocent man, demanded a bribe, reviled the grand jury, and called the grand jury and superior court of the county corrupt.

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TAKE THE CRUMLEY BUILDING

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BLOCKING THE PATH
TO CHANNEL PORTS

(By Associated Press.)
WITH THE AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES, MAY 17.—Troops of the new American army arrived today within the British zone in northern France, having completed their training, and have gone into an area occupied by troops which are blocking the path of the Germans to channel ports. American aviators brought down another German airplane northwest of Toul.

The Germans are using infernal machines to check the nightly American patrol activities northwest of Toul. One bomb exploded in the center of a patrol when an American stepped on a harmless appearing wire near the German lines yesterday. The members either entered or were assisted into dugouts where they waited, but no Germans appeared, and they cautiously returned to the American lines.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, May 17.—Announcement of the arrival of Americans in northern France concludes with a statement that the relations of British and American officers and soldiers is extremely cordial.

The British say the new force of

SCOPE OF RED CROSS ACTIVITIES
DESCRIBED BY EUROPEAN AGENT

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 17.—A summary of some of the Red Cross relief work, described by Henry P. Davison, follows:

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